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The parties met, pursuant to the notice of the Judge, at 10:00 a.m.

BEFORE: HON. Edward Luton

Administrative Law Judge

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Hearing Began: 10:00 a.m. Hearing Ended: 11:45 a.m.

## 1 <u>PROCEEDINGS</u> This is the evidentiary hearing in 2 JUDGE LUTON: the matter of AJI Broadcasting, Incorporated. We are going 3 to be operating under an order to show cause why the license 4 for station KRBG (FM) Canadian, Texas should not be revoked. The order to show cause and designation order claims that KRBG has been off the air for nearly five years and hasn't demonstrated that causes beyond its control warrant the 8 9 station's continued silence, since the expiration of its 10 special temporary authority in 1995. And because of that, the order concludes that AJI 11 is in apparent violation of certain sections of the 12 Commission rules and the two issues that this hearing is 13 14 designed to determine are whether AJI Broadcasting has indeed violated those rules and also to determine whether it 15 has the capability and intent to expeditiously resume the 16 broadcast operations of KRBG (FM). May I have the 17 18 appearances please, starting at my left. MR. INMAN: Jack Inman, AJI Broadcasting. 19 20 JUDGE LUTON: All right. Thank you, Mr. Inman. MR. BERLIN: And Mark Berlin for the Mass Media 21 22 Bureau. JUDGE LUTON: All right. Thank you, Mr. Berlin. 23 MR. BERLIN: And I'd like to -- also with Robert 24 25 Zauner.

- 1 JUDGE LUTON: Mr. Zauner. All right. The
- 2 designation order places both the burdens of proceeding with
- 3 the introduction of the evidence as well as the burden of
- 4 proof on the issues, on the Mass Media Bureau.
- 5 Consequently, we'll start with the Bureau's presentation.
- 6 MR. BERLIN: Thank you, Your Honor. Before I
- 7 really start with the marking an exhibit for identification,
- 8 I do have a pending motion to modify the caption in this
- 9 hearing because the call letters of the station were changed
- 10 to KYEG.
- JUDGE LUTON: I've not received that motion. Was
- 12 it recently filed?
- MR. BERLIN: It was filed on July 10th.
- 14 JUDGE LUTON: I have not seen it.
- MR. BERLIN: I have an extra copy here.
- JUDGE LUTON: I'd appreciate one. Thank you. All
- 17 right. The call sign has been changed from KRBG to KYEG
- 18 (FM). Is that correct, Mr. Inman?
- MR. INMAN: That's correct.
- 20 JUDGE LUTON: You're aware of that. All right. I
- 21 will grant the motion and change the caption KG -- KYEG
- 22 (FM). All right. Mr. Berlin, go ahead.
- 23 MR. BERLIN: Thank you. I would like to mark for
- 24 identification the declaration of Glen Greisman of the Mass
- 25 Media Bureau and attachments. I've given two copies to the

- 1 Court Reporter. It includes a two page sworn declaration
- 2 with its signature and then four attachments totalling
- 3 eleven pages plus the divider pages.
- 4 (The document referred to was
- 5 marked for identification as
- Mass Media Bureau Exhibit 1.)
- 7 JUDGE LUTON: This is what you've exchanged as
- 8 Bureau's Exhibit 1.
- 9 MR. BERLIN: Yes.
- 10 JUDGE LUTON: Proposed Exhibit 1, the entire
- 11 package without counting the pages. It's 11 pages you say
- in addition to the declaration of Mr. Greisman?
- MR. BERLIN: Plus the title pages for the
- 14 attachment, or divider pages for the various attachments,
- 15 yes.
- JUDGE LUTON: Well, plus the divider pages. So
- 17 counting all those.
- 18 MR. BERLIN: So I guess that's about 16 or 17
- 19 pages.
- JUDGE LUTON: Eleven pages of textual material.
- MR. BERLIN: Plus the declaration.
- JUDGE LUTON: Yes.
- MR. BERLIN: Yes.
- JUDGE LUTON: Mr. Inman, you know what we're
- 25 talking about here.

	1	MR. INMAN: Yes.
	2	JUDGE LUTON: You've received all that.
	3	MR. INMAN: Yes, sir.
	4	JUDGE LUTON: All right. I'll mark it as Mass
	5	Media Bureau Exhibit 1 for identification.
	6	MR. BERLIN: Then I offer into evidence the Mass
	7	Media Bureau Exhibit 1.
	8	JUDGE LUTON: Any objections?
	9	MR. INMAN: No, sir.
	10	JUDGE LUTON: No objections, then one is received
	11	as Mass Media Bureau's Exhibit 1. Mr. Berlin, anything
	12	else?
	13	(Document previously marked
	14	for identification as Mass
	15	Media Bureau Exhibit 1 was
	16	received in evidence.)
	17	MR. BERLIN: That concludes the Bureau's
	18	presentation.
	19	JUDGE LUTON: All right. Mr. Inman, this would
	20	normally be the point at which I would invite you to examine
	21	on the documents. I don't know who you would examine.
	22	Mr. Greisman has not been requested to take the stand, has
	23	not been requested to appear. Consequently, there is nobody
٠.	24	for you to cross examine even if you wanted to do so at this

point. You never did submit a request for persons to

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- 1 examine did you?
- 2 MR. INMAN: No, sir.
- JUDGE LUTON: All right. I didn't think so
- 4 because I hadn't seen one. Is there anything else from the
- 5 Bureau? Does that complete its case?
- 6 MR. BERLIN: That does.
- JUDGE LUTON: All right. Now, Mr. Inman, we are
- 8 ready for KYEG's direct case if you desire to present one.
- 9 MR. INMAN: Yes, Your Honor.
- JUDGE LUTON: All right. Proceed.
- MR. INMAN: Your Honor, on July 8th I sent you
- information along with Mr. Inman in letter form requesting
- ten more days to show sufficient funding for my radio
- 14 station after which, and spelling out, that the problem I
- 15 had had in not building the station was due to, number one,
- my health, the auto accident that killed my close friend and
- 17 investor two days before we were to send the crew out to
- 18 start construction, by a drunk driver, and the leasing of my
- 19 tower site that I had out there by a competitive radio
- 20 station to block me from building the station. And last but
- 21 not least, the failure to file documents by my FCC attorney,
- 22 Mr. Jack Pennington. And then I followed up with --
- 23 MR. BERLIN: Your Honor, that letter did indeed
- 24 ask for an extension of time, but the other information was
- 25 never submitted in the form of an exhibit. It was just sort

- of added onto the extension of time request. So, therefore,
- 2 that should not be considered.
- JUDGE LUTON: Mr. Inman, had you finished? I
- 4 don't believe you had.
- 5 MR. INMAN: No, sir. I hadn't finished.
- JUDGE LUTON: Why don't you go ahead?
- 7 MR. INMAN: Can I respond to his statement at this
- 8 point or should I go on?
- JUDGE LUTON: First of all, why don't you go ahead
- 10 and propose whatever you wish?
- 11 MR. INMAN: Okay.
- JUDGE LUTON: The point with respect to the
- July 8th, 1996 letter is that it constituted your request
- 14 for some additional time --
- MR. INMAN: Yes.
- JUDGE LUTON: Within which to submit what you call
- 17 exhibits here?
- 18 MR. INMAN: Exactly. And after which on the 18th
- 19 of July I sent copies of information from RDG Custom
- 20 Electronics showing that we have indeed hired an engineer to
- 21 build this radio station and that we had already put a
- 22 deposit on a transmitter for the station. And also a letter
- 23 from Tex Rock Radio stating that they would, they were
- 24 willing to finance my construction and operation of the
- 25 radio station.

1	And I don't know whether you received it or not,
2	but this morning the President of Tex Rock Radio, Dane
3	Schult, who was in Atlanta and was having some difficulties
4	getting out of Atlanta due to problems at the airport and
5	getting flights out, sent a letter to corroborate this
6	letter on the 18th of July, showing or explaining what our
7	involvement was, what his involvement in the radio station
8	was, what he was putting into the radio station, along with
9	a copy of a letter from Mr. Rob Stevens of R.J. Financial in
10	Rosa Pine, Louisiana, stating Mr. Schult did indeed have
11	financing behind him, the financial capabilities of doing
12	just that. And I'm not sure whether you got a copy of this
13	or not. They supposedly sent a copy of this to you this
14	morning also.
15	JUDGE LUTON: Yes, I did. I've gotten several
16	faxes from you faxes and I don't know who these things
17	are being sent to, whether they're being served on
18	everybody, everybody but the secretary which is where they
19	should be served in the first instance I believe. None of
20	that's happening here. Apparently, you view this as, you
21	view it as acceptable apparently to just send off a fax to
22	me and presumably to the other parties periodically.
23	For example, going back to your first one here,
24	this request for additional time, well, no party gains
25	additional time by simply requesting it. So you just took

- this additional time after sending off a fax. The date for
- the exchange of exhibits was set in the order and I've done
- nothing to change that. I've had no reason to change it
- 4 really because I think what I got from you, a fax which the
- 5 Commission doesn't even recognize as a pleading, I don't
- 6 believe, in Commission proceedings.
- 7 In any event, a paper which is not properly filed
- 8 with the Commission as it was supposed to be in time for me
- 9 to receive it and act on it and act on the request for
- 10 additional time and either grant it or deny it or do
- 11 something. And let's not forget the Mass Media Bureau,
- being a party here had an opportunity, should have had an
- opportunity to react to your request for time as well as the
- 14 rest of these pleadings.
- Most recently I got this thing this
- 16 morning -- we've got a lot of problems here. The Mass Media
- 17 Bureau just as it was required to do in the order following
- 18 the prehearing conference that I issued requested that
- 19 Mr. Schult appear here this morning to be examined on the
- 20 testimony that Mr. Schult was prepared to offer on KYEG's
- 21 behalf.
- Well, that request went out July 22.
- MR. BERLIN: But, Your Honor, in fairness, two
- 24 days we did rescind that request.
  - 25 JUDGE LUTON: You did? How did you do that? I've

- 1 received nothing to indicate --
- MR. BERLIN: We went the same letter in the same
- 3 format that we did.
- JUDGE LUTON: Did you send it to me as well?
- 5 MR. BERLIN: Yes.
- JUDGE LUTON: One thing at a time here. This is
- 7 messy enough. July 3 is when the Bureau submitted its, what
- 8 is this, exhibits. Okay. July 24, I never got a copy of
- 9 this letter, why is that? Was it sent out in the usual way?
- MR. BERLIN: Yes, it was sent out in the usual
- 11 way.
- 12 JUDGE LUTON: All right. So what it means is that
- the Bureau no longer requires Mr. Schult for cross
- 14 examination.
- MR. BERLIN: That's correct.
- 16 JUDGE LUTON: Okay. so that Mr. Schult's
- inability to be here this morning may or may not affect what
- we're able to do. I put it that way because the Bureau's
- 19 initial information called Mr. Schult was based on what
- 20 Mr. Schult had submitted up until that time. That is by the
- 21 22nd, whenever that letter was -- Mr. Schult was requested
- 22 and then the request was, yeah. The 24th. Now we've heard
- 23 from Mr. Schult on July the 29th. Presumably the Bureau is
- 24 seeing this for the first time this morning as well.
  - MR. BERLIN: That's correct.

- JUDGE LUTON: Does the Bureau want to examine
- 2 Mr. Schult now?
- MR. BERLIN: Well, actually it's not so much
- 4 Mr. Schult because in the initial letter that he had sent
- 5 that was with the exhibit that was sent in, it appeared from
- 6 that letter that Mr. Schult's company was the one that was
- 7 going to be provided the financing. Now in the one I just
- 8 got this morning it appears that, no, he's not. It's
- 9 actually going to be in Mr. Rob Stevens of another company.
- 10 JUDGE LUTON: Somebody behind Mr. Schult --
- 11 MR. BERLIN: Yes.
- 12 JUDGE LUTON: -- was going to supply
- 13 Mr. Schult's -- yes.
- 14 MR. BERLIN: And we had no idea who he was. He as
- 15 never mentioned before. So Mr. Stevens then would seem to
- 16 be the one --
- 17 JUDGE LUTON: Would seem to be. Would the Bureau
- 18 want him after having reviewed this material over the last
- 19 hour or two? This is the kind of complication that arises
- in these last minute submissions of papers. They're not
- 21 even proper filings. I don't know what to do with this.
- MR. INMAN: I understand and I apologize, Your
- 23 Honor. It's my ignorance.
- 24 MR. BERLIN: In this particular instance, all of
  - 25 these letters are rather tenuous because there is no

- 1 statement, written statement in the record from Mr. Inman on
- 2 behalf of the licensee that he would use any of the money
- 3 from -- that he would construct the station. None of that
- 4 was part of the exhibit. So it's very difficult to say, but
- 5 we might very well want to have Mr. Stevens. But it seems
- 6 like the whole thing is built on something that's not really
- 7 there.
- JUDGE LUTON: It's a fair implication is it not
- 9 that Mr. Inman's gone through this process of getting
- 10 statements of people that he in fact intends to use money if
- indeed there's any money forthcoming for the purposes of
- 12 getting the station back on the air? It seems to me that
- that's a reasonable implication and we can check that
- implication by having Mr. Inman take the stand here and tell
- 15 us what all this means. And perhaps after that the Bureau
- 16 can make a further determination about whether it needs to
- 17 talk to Mr. Stevens or Mr. Stevens is the man now.
- MR. BERLIN: Well, while that might be an
- 19 inference you could take, the Bureau would object to that
- 20 because I worked, I talked often with Mr. Inman from the day
- of the prehearing conference to the presence, maybe eight or
- 22 ten times, telling him all the different things that needed
- 23 to be filed. And when they weren't filed, I would reiterate
- 24 it and I told him numerous times that he had to have his
- 25 statement and to have his testimony here when everything was

- supposed to be committed to writing and he didn't would seem
- 2 to be totally against what you had said in the first place.
- JUDGE LUTON: What are we talking about?
- 4 Mr. Inman's own testimony about what his intentions are with
- 5 respect to these letters that talk about money?
- 6 MR. BERLIN: Yes.
- 7 JUDGE LUTON: It looks like some of this stuff
- 8 is -- Mr. Stevens apparently first speaks by letter dated
- 9 July 25, well after the date for exchanging these materials
- 10 in writing.
- MR. INMAN: Your Honor?
- JUDGE LUTON: Yes.
- MR. INMAN: May I clarify Mr. Stevens?
- Mr. Stevens is not someone that -- I know of, but I don't
- 15 know him. This is -- he is the financial backer for Tex
- 16 Rock. I don't have any dealings with Mr. Stevens. My
- 17 dealings are with Tex Rock. And he is the guy who has
- 18 secured \$30 million for Tex Rock to buy radio stations as
- 19 part of a network of stations in the State of Texas.
- JUDGE LUTON: Your dealings have been with Mr. --
- MR. INMAN: Mr. Schult, Mr. Daniel Schult.
- JUDGE LUTON: Mr. Schult.
- MR. INMAN: President of Tex Rock, that's correct.
- JUDGE LUTON: And yet you submit something here
- 25 signed by Mr. Stevens with an outfit called R.J. Financial,

- 1 Incorporated with which you have had no dealings. Is that
- 2 what you just said?
- MR. INMAN: Your Honor, this is information which
- 4 Mr. Schultz faxed in here either late last night or early
- 5 this morning when he found that he could not be here in
- 6 person. I had no idea what this was. This is the first
- 7 I've seen it this morning when I came in. I know -- his
- 8 name has come up in conversation as the person of the
- 9 financial corporation that is financing Tex Rock.
- 10 JUDGE LUTON: But if you had your way, Mr. Inman,
- and if you were setting about now to put together a set of
- 12 exhibits which would constitute your direct written case in
- this proceeding, Mr. Stevens' letter would not be a part of
- it, is that correct? It's only a part of it because of the
- loosey goosey way in which papers have been submitted here.
- 16 MR. INMAN: I understand. And that's my error and
- 17 I apologize for it.
- JUDGE LUTON: No need to apologize. We just try
- 19 to do what we can with the mess here.
- MR. INMAN: Your Honor, I have -- I have tried to
- 21 do what I thought was what I was supposed to do without
- 22 going through another Jack Pennington who put me in this
- position. I have talked with an attorney that is, that I
- 24 intend to represent me and after we hopefully start
- 25 construction of this radio station and this Mr. Frank Jazzo

- 1 here in Washington, D.C. He was very highly recommended
- 2 by --
- JUDGE LUTON: All right. Well, just one thing at
- 4 a time. I'm still looking at this July 25, 1996 letter
- signed by Mr. Rob Stevens, the President of R.J. Financial,
- 6 Incorporated, with whom I understand you, Mr. Inman, have
- 7 had no dealings.
- 8 MR. INMAN: No, sir. I have had no --
- 9 JUDGE LUTON: And consequently, you're in position
- 10 to affirm or deny anything that Mr. Stevens says in this
- 11 letter.
- MR. INMAN: No, sir. It's my understanding that
- that letter was submitted with this other information to
- 14 show that Tex Rock did in fact have the capabilities
- 15 financially to either assist me in constructing --
- 16 JUDGE LUTON: But it's not a Tex Rock letter.
- 17 It's an R.J. Financial letter. This is not Tex Rock
- speaking and here Mr. Stevens is submitting what he calls
- 19 background on Dane Schult.
- MR. INMAN: Yes.
- JUDGE LUTON: He can't tell us anything about that
- whether it's true or it's erroneous or anything.
- 23 Mr. Stevens, he's not here, he submits this paper and he
- 24 submits another paper which offer him an outfit that the
- licensee here has had no dealings with. But what he does

- 1 say, however, in this letter opens up an intriguing area of
- 2 inquiry it seems to me.
- 3 Because it indicates that Tex Rock whom the
- 4 licensee has been counting on for financing itself was
- 5 relying on somebody else for financing. Now, how that would
- 6 work I would think you'd really want to know. It seems to
- 7 me that we didn't have to be told about this R.J. Financial
- 8 thing. But now we have been told about it.
- 9 MR. INMAN: The purpose from my understanding why
- that letter was put there is after a conversation with Mr.
- 11 Berlin stating that, informing me that the letters that I
- sent to you must be verified in some way, form or fashion.
- 13 And what Mr. Schult was attempting to do here was verify
- 14 that he did have the financial capability to finance
- 15 construction of my radio station. Where he gets his money
- 16 to do this as long as it's not illegal I'm not concerned
- 17 about it. My concern is to be able to start building a
- 18 radio station which is my dream and I've got every cent in
- 19 the world I've got invested in it. And to do it
- immediately. And I'm prepared to start, put more money on
- 21 the transmitter. I'm prepared to begin construction in the
- next few weeks as quick as I can get my engineer down there.
- I just made a trip out there myself about three weeks ago.
- JUDGE LUTON: This has been going on for a long
  - 25 time, Mr. Inman.

- 1 MR. INMAN: I understand that.
- JUDGE LUTON: There have been several claims about
- 3 readiness to get the station back on the air and it hasn't
- 4 happened yet.
- 5 MR. INMAN: Your Honor --
- JUDGE LUTON: So this -- I'm sorry?
- 7 MR. INMAN: I can, I can promise you that if
- 8 you'll give me three months, I will either have the station
- 9 on the air or practically constructed, almost ready to go on
- 10 the air or I won't bother you again.
- JUDGE LUTON: It isn't me that you've got to worry
- 12 about here. I have to follow the Commission's rules.
- MR. INMAN: I understand.
- JUDGE LUTON: And do whatever they require me to
- do. I'm understanding this package that came in this
- 16 morning, Mr. Schult who is down in Atlanta unable to get
- 17 out. This was all sent by fax by Mr. Schult. That
- including this R.J. Financial stuff here that he just
- 19 gratuitously tossed in along with his background statement.
- MR. INMAN: Yes, sir. Now, there's an additional
- 21 letter from Mr. Schult.
- 22 JUDGE LUTON: Let me deal with this one here. Let
- 23 me see where we are with this one. What is the Bureau's
- 24 position now? The Bureau is telling me that it now would
  - like to have an opportunity to talk with Mr. Schult?

1	MR. BERLIN: Well, Mr. Schult, no. Initially,
2	when the letters came in after the ten day request for
3	extension of time, one of the letters that came in was from
4	Mr. Schult. In subsequent phone calls to Mr. Inman I
5	mentioned to him that the letters didn't say anything
6	really. It didn't say anything about the amount of the
7	loan, the terms. It didn't say anything about whether or
8	not he'd had the funds in the first place. And
9	JUDGE LUTON: Which letter are we talking about?
10	MR. BERLIN: This is the one about
11	JUDGE LUTON: The Tex Rock letter?
12	MR. BERLIN: The 18th, July 18th.
13	JUDGE LUTON: Yes.
14	MR. BERLIN: And so in an effort then to correct
15	all this, Mr. Schult was apparently going to come in. They
16	didn't come in and we got this fax that was sent I see at
17	11:30 last night. And now the letter does talk about the
18	amount of the loan and the terms and it does start to talk
19	about the truth of what he writes. But it doesn't say upon
20	penalty of perjury. But now he talks about that he wants
21	to, for the first time as I mentioned before, that he wants
22	to rely on this commitment letter from R.J. Financial. But
23	then that's unsworn and he can only really stand for the
24	fact that Rob Stevens wrote this letter to Dane Schult. And
25	it really can't attest to the veracity of that letter.

- JUDGE LUTON: Mr. Inman, since you don't know
- 2 Mr. Stevens, you don't know anything about R.J. Financial,
- 3 Mr. Berlin just said that you intended to rely on this
- 4 letter from R.J. Financial and signed by Rob Stevens. Is
- 5 that true or not?
- 6 MR. INMAN: I rely on that as testimony that
- 7 Mr. Dane Schult has the financing to assist me in
- 8 constructing my radio station.
- 9 MR. BERLIN: Well, it's actually Mr. Inman is
- 10 relying on Mr. Schult and Mr. Schult is relying on
- 11 Mr. Stevens. So indirectly he's relying on Mr. Stevens.
- 12 JUDGE LUTON: You're not looking to R.J. Financial
- for any of the money that you need are you?
- 14 MR. INMAN: I'm looking at Tex Rock.
- 15 JUDGE LUTON: That's what I thought. We're
- 16 talking about relying on this and relying on that, but when
- 17 you really get down to it, it seems to me rather nonsensical
- 18 to talk about reliance on an entity on which you've had no
- 19 dealings at all.
- MR. INMAN: Mr. Schult's relying on them for not
- only that but other properties that he's getting involved
- 22 with.
- JUDGE LUTON: But your view I take it is that
- that's no part of your problem. You're looking solely to
- 25 Tex Rock Radio and Mr. Schult. Who he gets the money from,

- 1 that's his business.
- 2 MR. INMAN: I'm concerned with KYEG (FM) Canadian,
- 3 Texas. That's the only concern I have.
- 4 MR. BERLIN: Your Honor, what the Bureau wants to
- 5 know is, is there going to be money forthcoming? Is there a
- 6 source? So if Mr. --
- 7 JUDGE LUTON: That's a legitimate area of inquiry
- 8 for the Bureau.
- 9 MR. BERLIN: So if Mr. Stevens' letter is
- 10 excluded, which we believe it should be, then we would want
- 11 to find out from Mr. Schult. If Mr. Stevens' letter is
- 12 allowed, then we'd want to find out from Mr. Stevens.
- JUDGE LUTON: Mr. Schult should have been here
- 14 this morning.
- MR. INMAN: Your Honor, if I may, Mr. Schult was
- having to come out of Atlanta and it was a last minute thing
- 17 and it's very difficult to get out of Atlanta. That's the
- 18 reason he had plans to be here.
- 19 JUDGE LUTON: Well, he should have been here is
- 20 all I can tell you. It's tough on everybody really.
- 21 MR. INMAN: And as far as concerns, Your Honor, if
- I haven't made progress financially on this thing by the
- 23 31st day of October, that's only three months. And I'm not
- 24 going to be able to build a radio station and we've gone a
- long way, Your Honor, and I've been through an awful lot.

- 1 And I understand the Commission's standpoint on this, but
- I've got my whole life savings wrapped up in this. I'm not
- 3 a wealthy person.
- JUDGE LUTON: Mr. Inman, you're telling me things
- that I can do nothing with or about. I am here to conduct a
- 6 hearing on the proposed revocation of a station license. My
- 7 concern is with taking evidence this morning and going off
- 8 somewhere to write a decision based on that evidence. That
- 9 it's been a difficult time for you and all of that, I can't
- 10 do anything about that. I'm trying to make an evidentiary
- 11 record here.
- That has to be the first step. That's why I worry
- about each one of these papers individually. I understand
- 14 very much of this. I'm looking at the July 18 letter signed
- by Mr. Schult which states that it is TR's, the's Tex Rock I
- assume, intent to assist KYEG in funding and the
- 17 construction of the station. No terms are stated, no dollar
- amount, no nothing to indicate any sort of commitment on the
- 19 part of Tex Rock. It doesn't really say anything that's
- 20 useful from an evidentiary standpoint.
- 21 Attached to the copy of that letter that I
- 22 received is something on an RDG Custom Electronics
- letterhead addressed to Mr. Inman signed by, I don't know
- 24 whose signature that is. Is that Mr. Schult's signature at
- 25 the bottom of that?

- 1 MR. INMAN: No, that's Mr. R.D. Goss, owner, Chief
- 2 Engineer of RDG Custom Electronics.
- JUDGE LUTON: Mr. Goss. Somebody else. Don't
- 4 know who he is, don't know anything about him. But still it
- 5 doesn't say anything about financing. And the letter that
- 6 was sent to me transmitting those to say these are designed
- 7 to show that AJI Broadcasting is prepared to begin
- 8 construction on July 30 and have it completed on before
- 9 October 31. I quess that was intended to constitute the
- 10 direct case. That's the showing you intended to make here
- 11 this morning?
- MR. INMAN: Yes, sir.
- JUDGE LUTON: Reflected by, well --
- 14 MR. INMAN: I wanted to show that I have the
- intentions to immediately begin construction on this.
- JUDGE LUTON: But where in what I just read off is
- 17 there anything about the money that it would take in terms
- of which it would be made available?
- 19 MR. INMAN: This fax that --
- 20 JUDGE LUTON: None of that's there. That's last
- 21 minute is this thing that came in overnight.
- MR. INMAN: Yes, sir.
- JUDGE LUTON: Fill in the -- I suppose.
- 24 MR. INMAN: I was unaware of whether Mr. Schult
  - 25 would be here this morning or this letter would be waiting

- for me this morning when I came into the courtroom. My last
- 2 conversation with him last night was that he would do
- 3 everything within this power to be here this morning. I
- 4 tried numerous times this morning to reach him but got his
- 5 voice mail.
- JUDGE LUTON: Even if he finally got out, he's on
- 7 his way up here.
- 8 MR. INMAN: I really expected to see him sitting
- 9 here when I walked in this morning, but obviously he could
- 10 not make it at that time.
- JUDGE LUTON: You run a big risk as a licensee if
- the people that you're relying on to help you make your case
- are not able to make it for whatever reason. You run a big
- 14 risk.
- 15 MR. INMAN: I understand. But, Your Honor, again
- 16 I'm saying it's very difficult to get in and out of Atlanta
- 17 Airport at this time. I didn't know -- it took me until
- 18 3:00 o'clock this morning.
- 19 JUDGE LUTON: It may be difficult to save your
- 20 license under the circumstances here. I wonder if the
- 21 Bureau is as confused by all this as I am. Can I ask the
- Bureau to state its objections to everything that we've got
- 23 before us here?
- MR. BERLIN: Yes, sure.
- JUDGE LUTON: All right.